

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Historic preservation is all about revitalizing neighborhoods, reviving downtowns, renewing public buildings, rejuvenating farmsteads, and fostering local pride; and,

Whereas, Historic preservation ensures that our cultural, heritage and history are kept alive through the preservation of irreplaceable buildings, landscapes, sites, and structures; and,

Whereas, The South Dakota State Historical Society collects, preserves, interprets, and promotes the state's history and cultural heritage, and its state historic preservation office provides technical advice for and incentive programs on the preservation of historic properties; and,

Whereas, The Department of Tourism and State Development and the 2010 Initiative seeks to emphasize the state's culture, heritage and history to attract visitors and businesses to South Dakota; and,

Whereas, The Department of Tourism and State Development and the South Dakota State Historical Society, together with the National Trust for Historic Preservation, recognize the importance of preserving our towns and countryside; and,


Whereas, It is important to celebrate the role of history in our lives and the contributions made by dedicated individuals and organizations in helping to preserve the tangible aspects of the heritage that has shaped us as a people:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 3-9, 2004, as

HISTORIC PRESERVATION WEEK


in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirtieth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.



M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:



Chris Nelson, Secretary of State

